

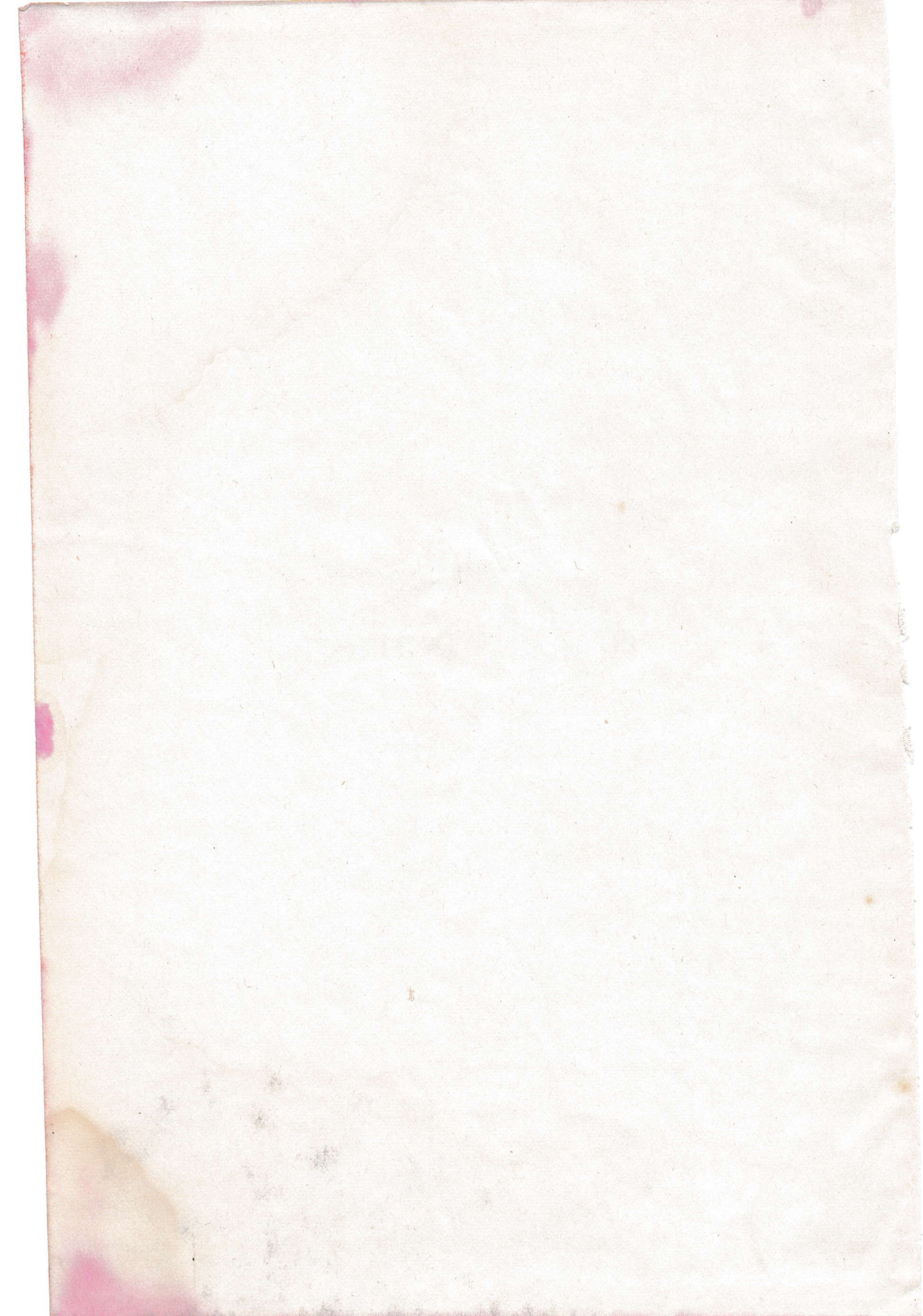
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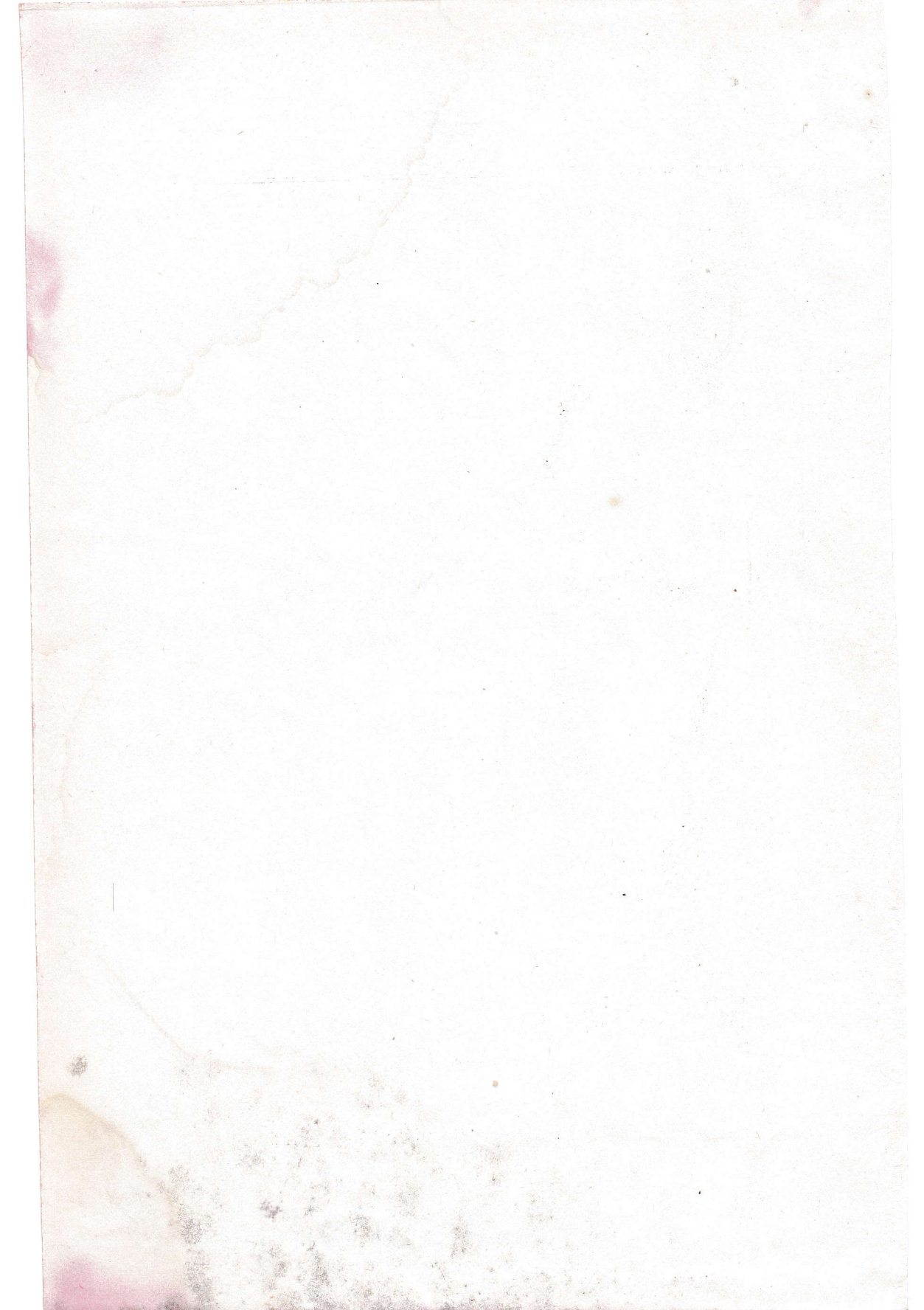
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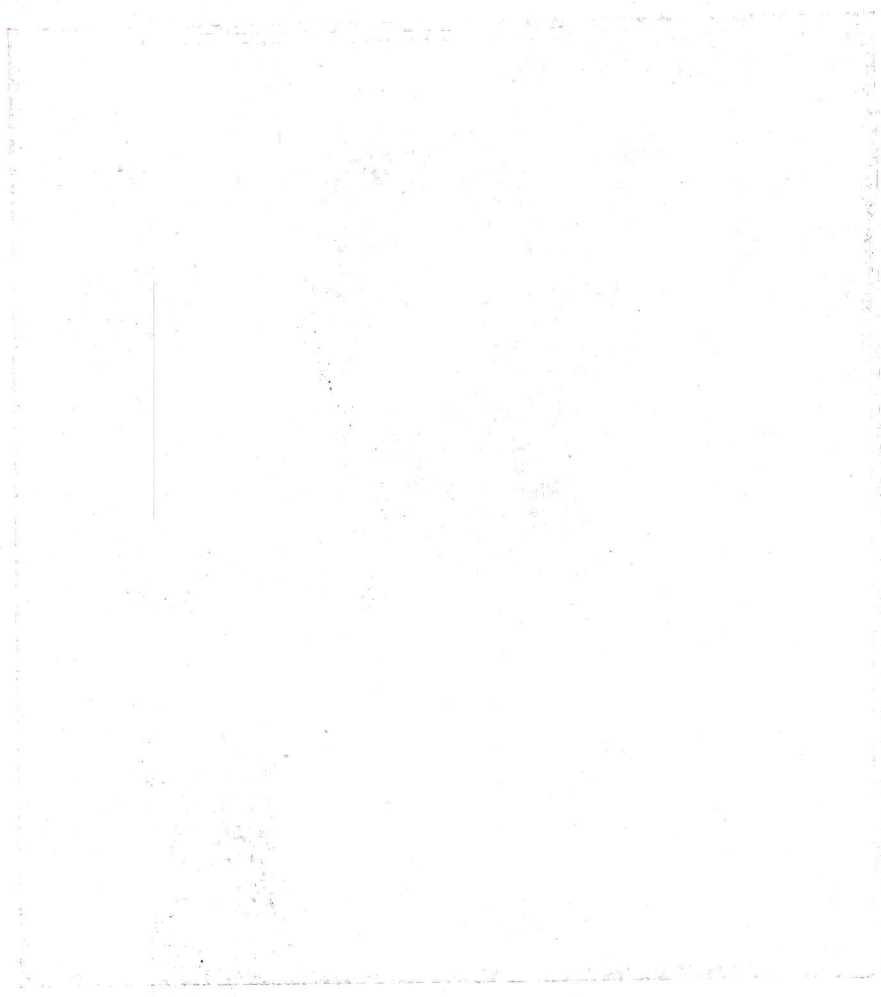


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# PEOPLES OF ALL NATIONS

## Editorial

**P**EOPLES and NATIONS are words that have been much on tongue and pen in recent years. Since the outbreak of the Great War national spirit has been more active in the minds of men than at any other time in history.

By its very existence the League of Nations recognizes the ineluctable fact of nationalism, though an eminent statesman, in describing the spirit of nationalism as "the curse of Europe," looks to the League somehow to abolish that spirit, and one of our seers, among his after-war visions, has seen a "world state," in which, presumably, national distinctions are blurred and all humanity exists in some strange neutral tint.

### Survey of the Living World To-day

**I**N this brief note we cannot discuss the merits of nationalism or the "self-determination of small peoples." These matters are mentioned merely to indicate the interest that has been awakened in the study of the world's nationalities, whether that be in the hope of making them all pursue one ideal and conform to one pattern, or the better to understand how sharply they differ from each other.

Here we are concerned with things as they are, and it is the aim of this work to quicken the interest of the English-reading public in the peoples of other nations, their racial origins, their history, their manners and customs, at a time when the need for such knowledge will not be called in question either by those who see in the spirit of nationalism a good thing or by those who denounce it as a curse.

### "The Proper Study of Mankind is Man"

**A** PROPER knowledge of the races of mankind that are sharing with us in the life of the globe to-day is essential to anyone who would lay claim to be decently educated. It scarcely needed the Great War to make intelligent persons understand how the complex machinery of modern civilization has brought peoples of very distant areas of the earth into a relationship, the closeness of which is often realized only when some temporary breakdown in that machinery occurs.

The war at least made plain to the most unobservant that no nation can live unto itself alone, and in that degree it stimulated the sort of study which this work seeks to advance.



## A New Picture of the Post-War World

**I**T was determined that the task of presenting an entirely new picture of the post-war world in its living actuality should be attempted, and, after due consideration, the national unit was found to offer the most practical method of treatment. By arranging the nations of the world in their alphabetical order, rather than following any geographical sequence, a pleasing variety of subject resulted.

Merely to describe the peoples of all nations in their habits as they live, and to illustrate them profusely, did not seem adequate to the purpose in hand; hence the historical chapters, in which every nation's story is briefly retold by skilled historians.

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**T**HAT every country in the world should be depicted anew by a writer of accepted authority upon it was a cardinal condition of our plan. At the risk of being invidious in naming any of the hundred distinguished writers whose contributions have helped to make **PEOPLES OF ALL NATIONS** the unique authority it may claim to be, the names of Sir Frederick Lugard, Sir Valentine Chirol, Dr. Grenfell, Sir Percy Sykes, and Sir Francis Younghusband, so eminently identified as these are respectively with West Africa, India, Labrador, Persia, and Tibet, may be noted merely as illustrative of this quality of our work.

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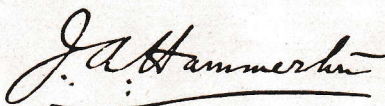
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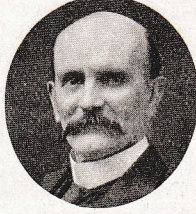
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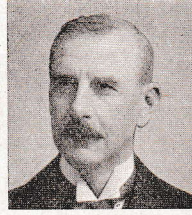
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# PLAN OF THE WORK

The alphabetical arrangement facilitates reference to any particular country. States and peoples merged into large national groups are, with some exceptions, treated under the parent group, e.g., "British Empire," "French Colonial Empire," but nationalities of historic or peculiar interest though not politically independent, such as Annam and Dahomey, and self-governing dominions, like Canada and New Zealand, are individually dealt with in their alphabetical sequence

<p>ABYSSINIA AFGHANISTAN ALBANIA ALGERIA ANDORRA ANNAM ARABIA See also Hejaz, ARGENTINA [Oman] ARMENIA AUSTRALIA AUSTRIA AZERBAIJAN</p> <p>BELGIUM BELGIAN CONGO BHUTAN Bohemia (See Czecho- BOKHARA [Slovakia]) BOLIVIA BRAZIL BRITISH EMPIRE I. IN AFRICA Anglo-Egyptian Sudan Ascension Island British East Africa Kenya Tanganyika Uganda Zanzibar Egypt (See Egypt) Mauritius, etc. Nyasaland Protectorate St. Helena Seychelles Somaliland Protectorate South Africa Basutoland Bechuanaland Rhodesia (See Rhodesia) See also South Africa, Union of Swaziland West Africa Nigeria Gambia Gold Coast, Ashanti, &amp; Northern Territories Sierra Leone Togoland Cameroon Zululand (See South Africa, Union of)</p> <p>II. IN AMERICA Bermudas Canada (See Canada) Falkland Islands Guiana, British Honduras, British West Indies</p> <p>III. IN ASIA Aden, Perim, Socotra, Bahrein Islands [Lahe] Borneo &amp; Sarawak Hongkong India (See India) Straits Settlements Malay States</p> <p>IV. IN AUSTRALASIA AND OCEANIA Papua New Guinea Fiji Pacific Islands See also Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania</p> <p>V. IN EUROPE Channel Islands Cyprus Gibraltar Malta</p>	<p>BULGARIA BURMA CAMBODIA CANADA Central American Republic (See Guatemala, Hon- duras, &amp; Salvador) CEYLON CHILE PATAGONIA CHINA See also Manchuria, Mon- golia, Sin Kiang, Tibet Cilicia (See Syria &amp; Cilicia) COLOMBIA COSTA RICA CUBA CZECHO-SLOVAKIA (Bohemia, Moravia, Silesia, Slovakia Ruthenia) DAHOMY DANZIG DENMARK See also Iceland Dominican Republic (See Santo Domingo) ECUADOR EGYPT LIBYAN DESERT ENGLAND ISLE OF MAN ESTHONIA FINLAND FIUME FORMOSA FRANCE See also Algeria FRENCH COLONIAL EMPIRE I. IN AFRICA French Congo (French Equatorial Africa) Cameroon Reunion French Somaliland French West Africa &amp; the Sahara See also Dahomey Mauritania Morocco (See Morocco) Togoland Tunis (See Tunis) II. IN AMERICA Guadeloupe French Guiana Martinique St. Pierre &amp; Miquelon Is. III. IN ASIA French India French Indo-China See also Annam Cambodia IV. IN AUSTRALASIA &amp; OCEANIA New Caledonia New Hebrides Society Islands, Tahiti, Marquesas, etc.</p>	<p>GEORGIA GERMANY BADEN BAVARIA PRUSSIA SAXONY WURTEMBERG GREECE Greenland (See Denmark) GUATEMALA HAITI HAWAII HEJAZ HONDURAS HUNGARY ICELAND INDIA See also Burma, Nepal IRAQ IRELAND ITALY ITALIAN DEPENDENCIES Eritrea Italian Somaliland Tripoli &amp; Cyrenaica Tientsin Concession JAPAN See also Formosa Korea KHIVA KOREA Kurdistan (See Armenia &amp; Persia) LATVIA LEBANON LIBERIA LIECHTENSTEIN LITHUANIA LUXEMBURG MADAGASCAR MANCHURIA Mesopotamia (See Irak) MEXICO MONACO MONGOLIA Moravia (See Czecho- MONTENEGRO [Slovakia]) MOROCCO NEPAL NETHERLANDS DUTCH EAST INDIES DUTCH WEST INDIES NEWFOUNDLAND LABRADOR NEW ZEALAND See also Samoan Is. NICARAGUA NORWAY OMAN PALESTINE PANAMA PARAGUAY Patagonia (See Chile) PERSIA &amp; KURDISTAN PERU PHILIPPINE ISLANDS</p>	<p>POLAND PORTUGAL PORTUGUESE DEPEN- DENCIES Goa, Macao, Timor, Cape Verde Islands, Portuguese Guinea, San Thome and Principe, Angola. Mozambique RHODESIA RUMANIA RUSSIA See also Azerbaijan, Esthonia, Georgia Latvia, Lithuania Siberia, Ukraine SALVADOR SAMOAN ISLANDS WESTERN SAMOA SAN MARINO Sandwich Islands (See Hawaii) SANTO DOMINGO SCOTLAND SERBIA, CROATIA, &amp; SLOVENIA See also Montenegro SIAM SIBERIA YAKUTSK REPUBLIC Silesia (See Czecho- Slovakia, Germany Poland) SIN KIANG SOUTH AFRICA, UNION Cape of Good Hope Natal &amp; Zululand Transvaal Orange Free State S.W. Africa Protectorate See also British Empire in Africa SPAIN SPANISH COLONIES Rio de Oro, Adrar Ifni, Spanish Guinea Fernando Po, Spanish Morocco SWEDEN SWITZERLAND SYRIA &amp; CILICIA See also Lebanon TASMANIA TIBET TUNIS TURKISTAN See also Sin Kiang, Bok- hara, Khiva TURKEY See also Arabia, Syria UKRAINE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA U.S. TERRITORIES Alaska Porto Rico Virgin Islands Guam See also Philippine Is- lands, Hawaii, Samoan Islands URUGUAY VENEZUELA WALES Yugo-Slavia (See Serbia)</p>
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